News From the Departments---New Posts, etc.

From the Surgeon-General.

OFFICE OF THE SURGEON-GENERAL, G.A.R.,) VISALIA, KY., March 14. EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: The Surgeon-General has, with the approval of the Commander-in-Chief of the G.A.R., caused to be printed a special blank for the use of the Post Surgeon, and in his absence, of the Post Commander and Adjutant. The blank explains itself, and a copy of it should e placed on the records of every Post within the

jurisdiction of the Grand Army. The Surgeon-General asks the earnest and active support of all the Medical Directors, and of all of their subordinates in securing reliable statistics of deaths in the Grand Army, and he will report bonorably all who report to him, and he will also ort as delinquent all who fail to report. The blank is entitled mortuary report, and reads thus:

MORTUARY REPORT. G. A. R.

Department of. Department Commander Number of enrolled men in Department Number of Posts in Department .. Number of Post Name of Commander of Post ... Number of members of Post..... ******** Name of deceased comrade ... Rank in G.A.R. Regiment in which he served .. Company . Date of death. Cause of death ..

Where buried. Name of Post Surgeon. Name of Adjutant ... On death of comrade, the Post Surgeon will file blank and forward to the Medical Director of De-

> B. F. STEVENSON, Surgeon-General, G.A.R.

DEPARTMENT NEWS.

GEORGIA .-With profound sorrow the Department Commander announces to the comrades of this Department the death of Past Department Commander David Porter, at his home in Savannah, Ga., Feb. 2. In his untimely death this Department loses one of its wisest and most able counselors, the Grand Army of the Republic one of its most active members, one who was ever ready to advance the interests of the Grand Army of the Republic or aid a needy comrade. Comrade Porter entered the army June 25, 1861, and continued in service until Nov. 8, 1865. He was a charter member of W. S. Hancock Post, 3, and at the time of his death filling his fourth term as Post Quartermaster.

A. W. Hack, Adjutant, Chicago: Gen. George A. Custer Post, 40, held its 17th annual ball at Hay Market Hall, on West Madison street, the other night, and, despite the inclemency of the weather, it was by far the greatest event in the history of this popular Post. Over 400 couples danced until the small hours to the beautiful strains of Thompson's celebrated orchestra. The ball room was tastefully decorated, and to see the happy smiles on the faces of the old veterans, their wives and daughters, amply repaid the Entertainment Committee for all trouble. This ball will earlich our treasury by about \$500. Some of the prominent Winfield S. Hancock Post, 259, New York, precomrades present with ladies were P. L. McKinny, Sented an elegantly-engrossed set of resolutions to Hon. C. C. Shayne on the evening of March 12. O'Donnell, Wm. C. Gien, O. R. McKinny, John F. Ryan, W. A. Freeman, James A. Cole, George W. Reed, A. W. Hack, Thomas Theis, T. J. Ailen, M. Irrman, J. Mahony, and others. The officers of the Post are-Com., W. C. Glen, Brown's Hotel, State and Van Buren streets; S. V. C., W. A. Freeman; J. V. C., Chas. D. Tilden; Q. M., G.W. Reed, 88 Whipple street; Adj't, A. W. Hack, 442 West Twelfth street; Surg., W. S. Sargent; Chap., A. G. Stuart; O. D., G. W. Robinson; O. G., W. H. Ben-

nett; S. M., T. J. Albee; Q. M. S., Jas. Fitzgerald. A. J. Burbank, Commander, Chicago: Your issue of March 3 contained an extract from the Detroit Free Press of Feb. 20, giving an interview with T. L. Johnson, a comrade of George H. Thomas Post, 5. The reporter for the Free Press must have exaggerated the statements of Comrade Johnson very materially. We deem it due to the comrades of the Grand Army to correct the misstatements conveyed in the interview alluded to. George II. Thomas Post is making an effort to raise a special fund for a cemetery lot, and for such incidental expenses as will be attendant upon the World's Fair during 1893. We have raised already quite a sum for this purpose, and expect to raise considerable more; but no such sum as \$30,000 or \$50,000, as stated in the interview referred to, is expected. The Post does not contemplate the building of a hotel for the accommodation of their G.A.R. comrades. Such an enterprise as described in the interview referred to would entail an expense of more than \$100,000, and the absurdity of the statement should carry its contradiction upon its face. members, will extend a fraternal greeting to all

comrades who may come within our borders dur-ing the World's Fair. We do not expect the National Encampment to be held in Chicago in 1893. With all the other drafts upon our hospitality and time, we feel that we cannot give the comrades such attention as we would desire to do when the Encampment is held in our City. Should the National Encampment be forced upon us, we should manifest the usual Chicago enterprise and spirit in earing for the comrades in the best manner pos-

Campfire will take place on Wednesday evening.

ward the erection of a statue to Comrade Alvin P.

dismissed from the Grand Army of the Republic.

J. B. McPherson Post, Koleen-Com., J. E. Wal-

ton; S. V. C., John W. Long; J. V. C., James W. Ault; Chap., H. A. Johnson; Surg., Jas. Burgess;

Chap., Josiah Price; O. D., Thomas Hill; O. G., Roswell Fisher; Adj't, L. L. Alrich; Q. M. S., G.

Nelson Warren Post, Danville-Com., Henry Kendali; S. V. C., E. H. Clariage; J. V. C., T. N.

Deerwester; Chap., A. D. Axton; Surg., W. J. Ashlock; O. D., Isanc Case; O. G., Oliver Bellamy;

tribute toward building a statue to the memory of

Gen. Wm. Tecumseh Sherman, our late comrade, I

remit, through the Assistant Adjutant-General,

whatever sums that may be collected for this pur-

LOUISIANA AND MISSISSIPPI.-

set of colors as any Post in the State.

W. Perkins; S. M., E. A. Welch.

Q. M., C. M. Bickford.

IOWA .-

KANSAS .-

The 13th annual Encampment of this Department O. G., J. K. Wolf; Adj't, J. Vanatta; Q. M. S., Geo. Clinger; S. M., Geo. Grigs. The Post was organ will convene at Princess Rink, Fort Wayne, at 9 a. m., April 6. All Posts in arrears for dues or reized Nov. 11 with 22 charter members. ports will be excluded from representation in the Encampment, in accordance with the Rules and FROM THE BAY STATE. Regulations. Department Headquarters will be established at Hotel Randall on the morning of What is Going on Among the Veterans of That April 5. The Council of Administration will con-

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vene at this hotel at 2 p. m., April 5. Hotel rates: Wayne Hotel, \$2.50 to \$3; Hotel Randall, Aveline, Section. EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: An associate mem Hotel Rich, and Aldine Hotel, each \$2; Grand Cenbership, so called by some, by others honorary or contributing membership, has been grafted upon tral, \$1 to \$1.25; Harmon House, \$1.25; Hedekin House, \$1 to \$1.50; Saratoga Hotel, \$1.25; Waverly and Hyer House, each \$1. These rates are all remany of the enterprising Posts of this Department, and as my own Post has a fine annex of this sort, and I am often asked its modus in starting such a ductions from the regular rate. Comrades Irvin Robbins, Assistant Adjutant-General; Charles A. body, I beg to present it here for the information inger and Lafayette Larsh, of the Council of Having voted to organize such a body, the Post Administration, and George B. Cooley, Acting

Assistant Adjutant-General, have been appointed drew up the following form of appeal, simple, but a Committee on Credentials. They will meet at sufficient to the purpose: the room of the Assistant Adjutant-General, in CAMBRIDGE, -DEAR SIR: John A. Logan Post, 186, has estab-Hotel Randall, at 4 p. m., April 5, to receive crelished an associate membership, composed of prominent patriotic citizens of this city, who are dentials, check up the roll of the Encampment and issue badges to representatives, in accordance with General Order No. 15, paragraph II. The local willing to aid us by giving their influence and supcommittee at Fort Wayne has arranged a Bureau port to our veteran organization. ormation for those desiring quarters, with The fee for such membership is \$5 per annum. which is covered into the Post fund. These mem-Comrade M. M. Thompson as Chairman. The Recention Committee will be at the depots to welcome bers are guests of the Post at its social meetings. and direct comrades to their quarters. The com-Believing you to be in full sympathy with this body of veterans, and willing to ally yourslf with mittee has arranged for a reception to the Commander-in-Chief and Gov. Chase by the Departthem on the above conditions, your associate memment Commander and Staff, at the Hotel Aveline, bership is hereby respectfully solicited, which, if

accorded, we believe will be as agreeable to you as on Tuesday evening, April 5, to which all comrades and their friends are invited. The Department it will be helpful and encouraging to us. Respectfully yours, Many Posts and comrades have sent to Assistant

A Comrade of John A. Logan Post. Quartermaster-General Weaver their donations to-Attached to this appeal is the following applica-Hovey, but there will be needed much more. Those who have not yet done so are requested to To the Commander and Comrades of John A. Lo take early action. At the same time, donations are requested to erect a statue to Gen. Sherman at GENTLEMEN: I hereby make application to beome an associate member of your organization, . The proceedings, finding and sentence of Post Court-martial in case of Charles Dillingham, of and inclose the required fee of \$5 for the same.

Elmer Post, 37, are approved, and said Charles These blanks are given to members of the Post, Dillingham has been dishonorably discharged and who in turn present them to such citizens as are included in the appeal. The application comes before the Post, and comrades are given opportunity to discuss the applicant. In four years not a negative vote has been recorded, which speaks well for O. D., G. W. Bennett; O. G., Thos. Roach; Q. M., the character of the applicants. Whenever the Post has any money-getting project on foot these Shively Post, Huntingburg-Com., J. R. Fisher, S. V. C., F. M. Reck; J. V. C., J. R. M. Lemond; Chap., W. R. McMahan; Surg., C. C. Schreeder; O. D., G. P. Williams; O. G., H. Vanderver, associates are not only able but willing to take hold and help the Post through. The Post that hasn't an annex of this sort doesn't realize its opis to be pitied,

Tom Howard Post, 101, Clear Lake-Com., J. A. The 42d Mass, (nine months) held its Winter Re Smith; S. V. C., J. Allen; J. V. C., S. Wallace; Q. union at the American House, Boston, Thursday M., F. M. Rodgers; Surg., J. B. Charlton; Chap., R. R. Wood; O. D., Wm. Cox; O. G., G. H. Harient. Lieut.-Col. Joe Stedman presided over the ent. Lieut.-Col. Joe Stedman presided over the man; Adj't, Ben, Adams. The Post starts out with festivities. 90 members, and more to follow. There is plenty Post 7 held its 25th anniversary at Post Hall the of cash in the Quartermaster's hands, and as fine a | 9th. A large number of members and guests were

Post 102, of Milton, has its annual Campfire soon, Phillipsburg Post, 77, Phillipsburg—Com., Phil.
Townsley; S. V. C., J. Nipps; J.V. C., D. B. Long;
Q. M., J. H. Ciore; Surg., C. Dickey; Chap., J.
Collie; O. D., L. D. Graham; O. G., T. J. Taylor,
Reynold Post, 43, Cawker City—Com., R. H.
Hewit; S. V. C., Floyd Angel; J. V. C., J. R.
Larkin; Q. M., L. S. Tucker; Surg., Edits Bryan;
Chan, Josish Price; O. D. Thomas Hill; O. G. which will also be made the occasion of celebrating its 24th anniversary. Post 10, of Worcester, to which Department Commander Churchill belongs, will give that comrade a reception April 13.

Post 66, of Medford, has a ball April 8. Post 40, of Maiden, will repeat its performances of the "Drummer Boy," March 16, 17, 18, 19. Saturday evening, March 5, this Post, with the City Government, Sons of Veterans, and many other Garfield Post, Wichita—Com., Murray Myers; B. V. C., W. W. Sweet; J. V. C., Henry Schad; Surg., Henry Owens; Chap., L.W. Bicknell; O. D., John A. Doran; O. G., Geo. W. Huckins; Q. M., guests sat down to a clam banquet, this succulent | thing for a copper, or will more willingly accept

run three days. citizens of Cambridge, John A. Logan Post, 186, of that city, will repeat its performance of the war drama, "From Sumter to Appearattor." Therefore drama, "From Sumter to Appomattox," Tuesday evening, March 29,

Post 112, Concordia-Com., Ed. E. Chapman; S. V. C., D. W. Ball; J. V. C., C. D. Avery; Adj't, B. F. Rose; Q. M., I. M. Wallace; Surg., A. Auslot; Chap., W. S. Shetterley; O. D., I. C. Moore; O. G., W. C. Scott; S. M., W. H. Anderson; Q.-M. S., E. This Post has made arrangements to attend the National Encampment, leaving Boston Sunday morning via the Boston and Albany by special train to New York, thence via the Baltimore and and would let us have them for \$1.75. We smiled Ohio R. R. to Washington. Many ladies and associate members will accompany the Post.

Mrs. Helen E. Brigham, Department Inspector Department Commander George T. Hodges has W.R.C., is making arrangements for the annual issued a circular, in which occur these paragraphs: The following appeal of the Gen. Sherman Statue exemplification of the work in May. Corps 87, of Groveland, will celebrate Committee of the Society of the Army of the Tenanniversary the last of the month. nessee is published for the information of the mem-A familiar face at the Headquarters W.R.C. of this Department is that of Mrs. Sarah E. Fuller, bers of Posts. The object of this appeal having the

favorable indorsement of the Commander-in-Chief of the G.A.R., and fully realizing the pleasure it formerly National President of the Order, now the Department Treasurer. She has probably few will give each comrade in this Department to conequals and no superiors in the amount of work done in the upbuilding of the Order. Rev. Jas. McWhinnie, a prominent Baptist clergymost earnestly recommend that each Post will at | man, who died in Cambridge the 9th inst., was a once take such steps as will give every member member of the 20th Conn., and lost his leg at Chan-an opportunity to donate something to this most cellorsville, on whose battlefield he lay 13 days before receiving surgical aid. Fifty of his compades of as for a servant stealing, it is unknown. praiseworthy testimonial. Post Commanders will Post 186 formed part of the immense throng which

pose to the Assistant Quartermaster General of the packed the church at the obsequies.-B., Boston. Department, accompanied by a list of the sub-scribers, bearing the name and regiment or corps be induced to buy any substitute article. If you decide to take Hood's Sarsaparilla do ne

n which they served, not later than April 30, 1892. Upon the receipt of these funds and reports, the Ass't Quartermaster-General will report, through the Adjutant-General of the G.A.R., to the Quarter-

master-General of the G.A.R. the amount that has een subscribed and is held subject to his call.

statue in memory of Gen. W. T. Sherman should

We made our appeal to its Commander-in-Chief,

who kindly issued General Orders, No. 7, indorsing

he matter. We desire that every soldier of the

United States shall have a part and give his por-

ion toward the monument to Sherman. We know

that every soldier who has served under him will

desire to do this, and every soldier of the United

States should, for he stands among the very first of

the great commanders of the world. We ask you

to give, we do not care how small the sum, because

when this statue is erected we purpose to publish

discomforts to him-was present at your annual

Encampments, and made you all proud and happy;

and we appeal to you now to aid in this great duty.

We request that every State Department Com-

mander make a special appeal to his command,

and we ask every Post to appeal to its own mem-

bers, and have each one contribute something, no

matter if it is only five or 10 cents; it is not the

amount we look at, it is the fact that when this

statue is erected in Washington every soldier who

sees it will feel that it is a part of his effort.-Col.

J. F. How, Treasurer, Commercial Building, St.

J. K.: The Department Encampment was held

at New Orleans in Mower Post rooms. The negro

Posts were entirely ignored, and what result this

will have on the G.A.R. in that city is a question. Gen. Palmer, the Commander-in-Chief of the

Order, issued a circular recently, in which he in-

sisted on the white Posts recognizing and affilia-

ting with the negroes. Their action the other night

will probably lead to some complication and may be deemed insubordination, for which they would

be liable to have their charters withdrawn. The

whites are determined to have no "nigger in

theirs," and are indifferent as to the outcome. The

officers are: Com., Frederick Speed; S. V. C., D. M. Durkee; J. V. C., Geo. W. Miller; Chap., L. S.

Widney; Medical Director, J. A. Sampsell; A. A. G.,

Chas. W. Keeting: A. Q. M.-G., Chas. F. Frink; Ins., Henry Heidenhain; Judge-Advocate, A. S.

Grainam; Chief Mustering Officer, Chas. H. Shute;

Council of Administration, O. M. Murray, Thomas

Delegate, J. A. Sampsell; Alternate, Henry

H. K., New York: The last Campfire of E. D.

Morgan Post at the Grand Opera House was the most successful one ever held by the Post. The

arrangements were under charge of Comrade Den-

ton E. Macgowan, who celebrated his own birthday

on the same evening. There was a large gather-

others of John A. Dix Post. It was a model Camp-

fire, and it burned until the small hours of the next

morning. The Post will come to the front under

Gen, George B. McCleilan Post, 552, has under

its new officers commenced the new year auspici-

ously. Propositions for membership have been

received at every Encampment and musters are more frequent. The Post is growing both in mem-bership and influence. An invitation was received

from Kearny-Janeway Post, 15, of New Jersey, to

visit them on Memorial Day, which will probably

The frame is of the finest workmanship, and is

ornamented with military and naval emblems at

each corner, while the top and sides bear State,

National, and Grand Army coats of arms and em-

blems. It is one of the most elaborate presents

ever gotten up by the Order. Mr. Shavne is an

honorary member of the Post and takes great in-

terest in its welfare. He expects to accompany it

R. N. Bennett, Poulteney: Is there any other

than ours? Six years ago Jan. 1 Henry C. Lyon

Post, 535, was formed. One of our Commanders

has served three terms, two of one term each, and

our present Commander is on his second term.

There are 64 members, and we have lost but three

members since formation-one by death, one by

transfer, two by honorable discharge. How is that

for F., C. and L.? Officers; Com., John Prentiss; S. V. C., Judson Abright; J. V. C., A. R., Stone; O. D., Geo. S. Prentiss; Q. M., E. A. Prentiss; Chap., R. N. Bennett; Surg., Alfred Green; O. G., Adel-

bert Zennig; Q. M. S., James Smeebox; Adj't, H.

George Washington Post, 103, New York—Com., William D. Whipple; S. V. C., Fred T. Locke; J. V. C., Robert Watts; Q. M., Sam Truesdell: Surg.,

Morris J. Asch; Chap., E. M. Pyne; O. D., Thomas

Baird Post, 653, Pataskala-Com., H. A. Fleming;

S. V. C., William Gardner; J. V. C., William Lemon; Adj't, F. B. Elliott; Q. M., D. W. Scott;

Surg., J. W. Lisle; Chap., George W. Boyer; O. D.

G. W. Giles; O. G., Alden Bessie; S. M., David J.

Huston; Q. M. S., J. Atkinson; Sen., Abraham

Smith Post, Norwich-Com., John N. Gridley; S. V. C., A. A. Hibbard; J. V. C., S. A. Brooks; Q.

M., W. B. Stoddard; Chap., W. C. Walworth; Surg.,

W. W. Green; O. D., George F. Breed; O. G.

Caesar A. Randall; Adj't, Charles A. Sumner; S. M., Jerome Sherwood; Q. M. S., John Collins, F. B. Pond Post, 667, Junction City—Com., G. W. Benadum; S. V. C., G. W. Adeock; J. V. C., L. D.

Grigs; Q. M., James K. Garey; Chap., Jacob Hos-

kins; Surg., S. Spitser; O. D., George McMaster;

B. Rand; O. G., Daniel C. Moynahan.

to Washington in September next.

the Commandership of Dr. J. W. Gibbs.

NEW YORK .-

Sone, J. H. Lawler, John Stewart, Fred Brunner;

Every soldier of the Grand Army should re-

TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC: At the Gleanings from National Headquarmeeting of the Society of the Army of the Tennessee, on Oct. 8 and 9, 1891, it was resolved that a ters--- Notes from the Departments. be erected in Washington. In pursuance of this decision a committee appointed for that purpose was instructed to appeal to the Grand Army of the

SUE PIKE SANDERS, National President. ELLA REEL COBEAN, National Secretary. To specially aid and assist the Grand Army of he Republic and to perpetuate the memory of

their heroic dead. To assist such Union veterans as need our help and protection, and to extend needful aid to their widows and orphans; to find them homes and employment, and assure them of sympathy and friends; to cherish and emulate the deeds of our Army Nurses, and of all loyal women who renderthe name of every soldier who has contributed to ed loving service to their country in her hour of

To inculcate lessons of patriotism and love of member that Gen. Sherman-no matter what the country among our children and in the communities in which we live; to maintain true allegiance to the United States of America; to discountenance whatever tends to weaken loyalty and to encourage the spread of universal liberty and equal rights Women of good moral character and correct de-

portment, who have not given aid and comfort to the enemies of the Union, who would perpetuate the principles to which this association stands pledged, and who have attained theage of 16 years, shall be eligible to membership in the Woman's

THE ISLE OF JUNE.

Capital of the Bahamas-Scated on Coral Rocks-Pickaninnies and Potentates, and What They Do. DEAR TRIBUNE: On a high prominence in Nassau, the Capital of the Bahama Archipelago, stands the Royal Victoria Hotel, from whose flagstaff floats the glorious Stars and Stripes. How good and homelike the sight! This hotel is the principal hostelry of the island, built of coraline rock, very massive, and is more than 200 feet front. It was built by the Bahama Government at great ex-

pense, and was during our late war a trysting

place where English and Confederates met and concocted their plans for running the blockade. Most graphic and wonderful stories are told of the days when cotton was sovereign here and this was the channel through which it flowed across the ocean into English ports. Times are changed now. The dashing and daring men in gray that once made these courts and halls ring with their hilarity are known no more; the rollicking, prodigal times are passed, and instead, the quiet, intelligent, business man comes from the North, with a part or all of his family, to recuperate from over exertion and mental strain n a climate where the air is said to have healing in its wings, where one can wander out and sit on the rocks and feel for the time almost as much alone as Robinson Crusoe, or on the broad plazzas

ing, among whom were Past National Junior Vice Commander Joseph Hadfield, Commander Hau-bold, of Gilsa Post, Senior Vice-Commander Geo. breathe the soothing, languid air and dream the idle hours away. Shafford, Treadwell Seaman, Matt S. Gregory, and What an anomaly! A hotel built with British money, on British soil and under British Government, run by Americans, the American flag floatng over it, and dependent on the great American ollar to sustain it.

The island of New Providence is a great coral rock with comparatively little native soil. It is nostly made by picking and pulverizing the porous surface rock and mixing with it sand from the beach. This is a slow process, as everybody here is "constitutionally tired;" and, then, a seed or rootlet will grow by inserting it in a crevice, or by punching a hole in a rock. A bush or tree generally gets its first start that way. It is astonishing the tenacity and vitality all plant life has. Hothouses are useless, for most beautiful flowers grow by natural planting the year round. Roses, delicate and rare, are indigenous and grow in profusion from 10 to 15 feet high, often right out of an old stone wall. Great quantities are brought every morning to the hotel courts and sell readily. On our table this morning were three bouquets, each large as a washbowl, and all roses. One can hardly imagine what the original form of this rock island was, but probably a hight or a peak of a mountain range projecting out of the sea. It slopes irregularly on all sides toward the water. On the highest point stands a large, airy

G.A.R. Post in existence that has a better showing house built of coraline, with many verandas and much lattice work, and commands a view of the whole island. This is the residence of the Governor of the Bahamas, the Queen Bee in this little hive, unseen and unknown by more important parts of the globe, but here, oh, my! The grounds to this palatial residence are large and lie to the south. The many and beautiful trees, and all pertaining thereto, are inclosed with high stone walls The house faces the north and rests on the crest of the hill. Here the art and handiwork of man have assisted nature with pleasing results. East Hill street passes the front of the house so closely, carriages can drive to the foot of a long flight of steps that lead up to the door. This passes en tirely through the spacious grounds and at both ends are high arched gateways that are securely closed at sunset, but are open to the public during

the day. Passing down the steps, and crossing this street or drive, another flight of steps, cut from the solid rock, descend to a large landing about 20 feet square on which is a STATUE OF COLUMBUS on a high pedestal. He stands facing the town be low; a long mantle falls from his shoulders to the

und, a sombrero rests jauntily on the back of his head-not unlike the western cowboy of to day-and his right hand leans on a heavy unsheathed sword. In front of the statue are other steps, formed in the same way, leading down, and at the bottom an iron gate, which spens on the street below. The white rocks, the ups and downs, the plateaus, steps and landings, the verdure and flowers, all combined, give a most romantic and eturesque effect.

'His Excellency the Governor" is appointed by the Queen, and, with his wife, who here bears the title of "Lady Shea," revels in greatness, and is officially addressed as follows:

To His Excellency, Sir Ambrose Shea, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the said Bahama Islands, Vice-Admiral and Ordinary of One can but smile at the contrast between the

above and the few modest words used in addressing the President of our great United States. The streets of this quaint little town are a constant curiosity and study. They are of the same hard rock we see everywhere, either leveled, excavated, or filled, as necessity requires, and are usually a foot lower than the curbstone and sidewalk, which are of the same material. Where the surface is reasonably level the cut is simply made lower for the street; where an ascent or decline, the stone is sawed to a proper depth on each side and excavated to form an easy grade to reach the highest point above. This leaves prominent abutments sometimes and makes very irregular yards and building spots, but a house, large or small, seems to be built wherever wanted, regardless of such minor details. In one yard where there are four terraces of solid rock, the upper one reaching to the second story, one cannot see a spadeful of soil, but roses, oleander, cactus, and pomegranate grow luxuriantly thereon.

WHERE CONVICTS ARE HAPPY. Convict labor keeps the streets in repair. The convict suit is light-blue and white. The right side of the blouse or jacket is blue, the left side white; the pants alternate, the right leg being white and the left blue. The convicts work in gangs, and are sometimes chained together. The eye of an overseer is always on them, though he is comfortably located, you may be sure. They sit on the ground and pound stone all through the hottest days and look as happy as though carrying out a contract the price of which had at last been settled by Powderly arbitration. Indentures are filled with this crushed stone and the first rain forms it

into a cement, which hardens in the heat of the Market street runs at right angles with and passes through East Hill street by means of a tunnel. This looks like a great piece of masonry, but is simply cut out of the rock and arched over. On one side are long flights of broad steps, also excavated, for the use of pedestrians. What a boon such streets would be in our Northern cities, where thousands upon thousands are spent in experiment. Here street sweeping is reduced to a minimum. Men of about the usual age and appearance, and moving at the same untiring rate per hour as in our cities, drag the surface over with a few leafless branches of a tree tied together. Rather primative, but the desired result is attained. The native inhabitants are coal-black and of the true and original type. Easy-going and goodnatured, nothing annoys them. They are very sociable, and like to answer questions. I asked a

JOLLY GIANT OF A FELLOW if they ever tried to save anything and get ahead financially. He laughed and said "dey didn't had to, fur de sun, he keep us wo'm and we don't needs to save nothin' to eats, fur some mo' growin' all de vile, and de clothes dey donts costs much!" That is the secret of their contentment and poverty. They need little and know the Lord will provide. Men, women and children doff their hats to an American, and willingly obey their every command. They seem to have a fascination for Northern people, and will follow one for hours; will do anyration to the amout of four barrels having been one for doing nothing. They have not the slight-forwarded to the Post by Post 16, of Rockland, est hesitancy in asking for them, and evidently believe Americans are copper-plated and silver-Post 89, of Beverly, will open a fair April 28, to | lined. It is nothing to have them stop you on the street and ask money to buy something they hap-

ON THE SPONGE MARKET,

a man had two peculiar sponges we admired, and asked the price. He said he wanted to sell badly, said it was too much, and sauntered on. He followed saying, "Would ye gib a dollah, boss? "No; don't want your sponges!" On the far side he appeared again. "Would you gib 75 cents, boss?" The "boss" looked at me. I shook my head, but kept my face sober. As we left the market he stood waiting and said, "Lady, you can hab 'em fur 50 cents; would you gib me 50 cents fur 'em, and I'll takes them to the hotel?" We had to laugh and the "boss" gave him the 50 cents. When we arrived at the hotel they were there. While these peculiar people will take and ask 10 times what a thing is worth if there is a chance of getting it, they will just as pleasantly take what it is worth, and are strictly honest in their way, and can be relied upon doing what they promise. It is just as safe to pay before as after getting anything;

THE COPPER SCRAMBLERS. English money is used here wholly. A penny has the same relative value as our two-cent piece.

A ha'penny is one cent in value and generally

are amiable, they will one by one appear. They are not allowed to cross the driveway unless at the bidding of some guest, but must be content to stand on the farside and look. On the slightest provocation their antics begin. They sing in pleasing rhythm, dance with great agility, and never tire while the coppers fail. Someone will flip a copper into their midst. Their quick ears detect it and wrestling, squirming pile of black legs like a great mass of angleworms. This is called "scrambling." All seem to know the instant the penny is secured and jump up and start singing right where they left off, with never a word or look of complaint from the unsuccessful. There is no kicking or demands for a recount. Possession is the point of law. One tiny little one, too small to "scramble," Zacharias by name, will, while looking sober as a judge, produce a perfect imitation of a wholesouled, hearty, spontaneous laugh. It is hard to believe that such a full, deep laugh could come rom such a tiny body; it is lucrative, however. Another source of revenue to Zucharias is, that on is mite of a hand is an extra little finger, which he displays with great pride and informs you he once had its counterpart on the other hand but it was cut off. The great majority of natives go barefooted the year around and their feet spread out ike platters. Full-grown girls and women I have cen dressed in white muslin, with their feet and ankles bare and black, promanading down town as happy as queens. It is amusing to hear these coquettishly address a man or woman twice their age as "dear chile."

Feb. 17 was a gala day, the occasion being the OPENING OF COLONIAL PARLIAMENT. Being favored with invitations, we witnessed the mposing ceremony which took place in the Council Chamber. On arriving we saw the "Guard of Honor from the Bahamas Constabulary" drawn up in front of the public buildings in readiness to eceive His Excellency the Governor. This has heretofore been the duty of Imperial troops, but they having been withdrawn from Nassau the honor fell upon the Constabulary, who are stalwart, well-formed negroes, seemingly of uniform hight and color. The police force, also black, was stationed around the square and in the corridors of the building. Our cards were honored, and we were admitted to the Council Chamber. This is an oblong room with a platform at one end. Directly in front of this, and running length wise, was a long, massive table, supplied at either side with four high-backed chairs, where sit the eight members that constitute the Legislative Council appointed by the Queen. The remainder of the room was filled with long seats, and would accommodate probably 150 visitors. On the wall at the right lung a life-size portrait of Victoria in her earlier life, at the left a portrait of George the Fourth, both frames surmounted by a crown. The first flutter was caused by the entrance of the Chief Justice in full dress, knee-breeches, long stockings, and silver shoe-buckles, while on his head was a white queue, which some of the ladies declared was made of brain coral. He sat on the front seat, reserved. A moment later another flutter, and Lady Shea, attended by her niece, a pretty blonde, and the Assistant Private Secretary came in. After extending her hand to the Chief Justice they sat down, also on reserved seats. Afterward came the eight members of the Council, solemuly led by their President, and took the eight high-backed chairs. A can-non boomed, the band played, and all rose to their feet as His Excellency entered and ascended the dais. He directed the Private Secretary to summon the House of Assembly. The Secretary re tired with humble deference, and quickly returned, followed by that august body, 41 in number. He announced the presence of the members, and introduced the Speaker in due form. They were a fine-looking body of men, some white and others pure African. The Governor seemed a little embarrassed, but rallied and delivered a five-minute speech that was well written and creditably read. first dwelling at length on the death of the Duke of Clarence and Avondale, then on cable communication with the outside world, between Florida and here. He also mentioned fiber cultivation as a growing industry, and that the Bank of Nassau, though outside the purview of the Government, was of commanding importance. These were all the points which, being turned over for

House to the sound of music and the booming of EMMA STARK HAMPTON. DEPARTMENT GLEANINGS.

their deliberation, the House of Assembly was dis-

MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT CONVENTION. DEAR TRIBUNE: The 13th annual Convention of he Department of Massachusetts was held in the Tremont Temple Building, Boston, Feb. 10 and 11, Augusta A. Wales, Department President, in the chair. Over 400 voting representatives and several hundred visiting members were in attendance. A committee from the Encampment, consi-ting of Past Department Commanders George S. Evans and Austin S. Cushman, visited the Convention early in the session and conveyed the greetings of 23,000 comrades of the G.A.R. A crayon portrait of the late Assistant Adjutant-General, A. C. Monroe, was presented the Encampment by vote of the Department Council. The portrait is the work of Clare H. Burleigh, of the Department Executive Board, and it will occupy an honored place in Grand Army Headquarters. Several presentations were made during the opening session, among them a magnificent floral

design, a gift from honorary member James F. Commander Savery, of Post 13, Brockton, presented the Department President a gavel, which she wielded with ease. Past President Wales is a bright presiding officer, and the large amount of business presented on the opening day was dispatched with promptness.

Commander-in-Chief Palmer and Staff honored the Convention with their presence. E. Florence Barker and Sarah E. Fuller, Past National President, and Lizabeth A. Turner, Past National Senior

Vice-President, were present throughout the ses-It was an affecting sight when Lizabeth A. Turner, who is loved and respected by every member, requested the attention of her co-workers, and referred to the numerous requests, written and verbal, received urging her to accept the position of Department President. Other duties compelled her to decline this honor, but she appreciated the many kind expressions in her behalf. Mary G. Denne, of Fall River, elected Department President, is a woman of education, refinement and dignity. She has every qualification necessary for

the position, and is popular with the Grand Army, Her husband, Maj. John M. Deane, is the Assistant Quartermaster-General, Department of Massachusetts, G.A.R. The officers were installed by Mary E. Knowles, Past Department President. The reception in the evening of Feb. 11 was a fitting close of the two days' sessions. The arrangements were in charge of an efficient committee. of which E. V. Lang was Chairman, Commanderin-Chief Palmer and staff, Department Commander Churchill and members of his staff, Past Department Commanders and other friends in the G.A.R

graced the occasion. Gifts of remembrance were presented Department President Wales and Past Department Commander Smith, who has been a loyal friend to the W.R.C. Music and sociability were leading features of the evening, and the work of the year was inaugurated under pleasant auspices. Following are among the resolutions adopted by Convention: That all investigations of Army Nurse

claims be placed in the hands of the Department Relief Committee; that the Committee on Soldiers' Home be continued; that 2,000 flags be purchased for decorating the graves of Union soldiers in the cemeteries of Georgia on Memorial Day; that \$50 be contributed toward a monument to the late Alfred C. Monroe, Assistant Adjutant-General of Massachusetts; that a committee be appointed to receive subscriptions for a monument reared by the Relief Corps of Massachusetts in memory of the brave and true soldiers and sailors of the Union who never came back, -I. zabeth A. Turner appointed a committee of one; that the Department of Massachusetts W.R.C. present the Department of Massachusetts G.A.R. with a regulation flag or banner; that the work of the Memorial College of Oberlin, Kan., be indorsed.

Officers installed and committees appointed are as follows: President, Mary G. Deane, Fail River; ham. Executive Board, Emilie L. W. Waterman, Boston; Clara C. Lovering, Medford; Eva T. Cook, Gloucester; Mary M. Perry, Springfield; Abbie T. Usher, Newburyport. Committee on Department Rooms at Soldiers' Home, Emma B. Lowd, Salem; M. Susie Goodale, Medford; S. Agnes Parker, Brockton. Department Relief Committee, Emilie L. W. Waterman, Boston; Elizabeth B. Raymond, Charlestown; Addie A. Nottage, East Boston; Nettie D. Hill, Roxbury; Elizabeth Killian, Rox-Hattie A. Ralph, 100 Cross street, Somerville, has

been appointed Department Corresponding Secre-tary, to whom all Corps items should be sent for Since Department Convention Robert G. Shaw Corps, 148, New Bedford, has been installed and contributions received by the Department as fol-lows: Corps 95, New Bedford, Soldiers' Home, publication. \$5; Army Nurse fund, \$5; Corps 50, Chicopee, National Relief Corps Home, \$50; Corps 77, Gloucester, Monroe Monument fund, \$5; total, \$65.—Mary E. Eliott, Department Secretary. DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA.

DEAR TRIBUNE: B. J. Crosswaite Corps, 37, Angola, with the Post (150) and G. of V. held a joint installation of officers Jan. 6. They dedicated a new hall March 10. Harman Rayal Post, Corps, and Sons of Veterans, Spiceland, met with quite a loss by the burning of their hall and the property of organization. We tender to comrades and sisters our sympathy, and hope that, like the fabled phonis, they will again arise from the ashes.

Corps 153, Coal City, held a joint installation with the Post (482), with which they work in hearty

success, and we feel confident they will gain a mentioned, I had nothing to do with the desigplace of honor in the ranks. Past Department | nation of forms and marks, save that the idea Nannie C. Jernegan President.
T. J. Harrison Corps, Kokomo, begins the New
Year full of life, harmony, and good will. They
may well feel proud of the work they accomplished the past year, although their socials and enter-

tainments have been seriously interfered with by V. H. Lyons Corps, 145, Plainfield, instituted Oct. 21, 1890, with a charter membership of 22, now have 42 members, wide-awake, energetic women, who work in harmony for the good of the cause.

means to tempt pennies from the pockets of guests, and know just when and what to to. On "steamer day," after supper, when the ladies are coner seated and the gentleman in the mokers' corner are smighted they will one by one appear. They Crider, President, in the chair, all repaired to the spacious Grand Army Hall, where refreshments were served and a social Reunion enjoyed.

Sedgwick Corps, 13, Union City, gave a Valentine
Social, which was a social and financial success. Each sister took a basket with supper for two; while the coppers fail. Someone will flip a copper into their midst. Their quick ears detect it and they throw themselves on the brick pavement in a walentine, the lady owning the basket wearing the remaining part pinned to her dress. After the baskets were sold, the search began, each gentleman with his portion of the valentine trying to find his partner for supper. Such a delightful social time they never had before, and each went home determined to have another soon. We have received a letter announcing the marriage of Mrs. Della Thompson, Treasurer of John Craig Corps, 12, Jeffersonville, to the Commander of the Post, whose name is not given. The Corps met at the home of the Department Chaplain, Dr.

> painted in red, while, and blue. This marriage is another evidence that the W.R.C. is auxiliary to the G.A.R.—Eliza J. Crisler, Department Corresponding Secretary, Greensburg, Ind. THE MARYLAND CONVENTION. DEAR TRIBUNE: The fifth annual Convention of he W.R.C., Department of Maryland, was held in Baltimore, Feb. 18. I was proud of the loyal women of Maryland. The Convention was the best ever held, and most harmonious one throughout. The sessions were held, through the courtesy of Post 46 and Corps 6, in their handsome ball, East Baltimore street. It was tastefully decorated with flags and trophies, which alone were enough to stir the patriotism of every heart. At noon a substantial lunch was served to the visiting dele-

Sallie C. Jackson, went to the home of the bride,

and presented her with a beautiful water set, hand-

gates by the Department. There are 16 Corps in good working order in Maryland, four Corps having been formed during the year. Delegates were present from every Corps, and all the Department officers were promptly on hand. The morning session was devoted to routine business-Department President Eliza A. Will presiding-and hearing reports, which showed a marked advancement during the year. Annie Wittenmyer, Past National President, was present at the morning session and made a stirring address, which was heartily received. A crippled soldier from Seattle, who had reached Baltimore and was unable to proceed further, was admitted and business suspended until he stated his case, which he did in a manly and touching manner. Assistance was freely given him to enable him to reach his destination, Washington. In the after-noon the officers for the ensuing year were elected and installed. They are—Pres., M. A. Cadden, Custer Corps, Baltimore; S.V.-P., Laura C. Cuddy, Corps 6, Baltimore; J. V.-P., — Bridaham, Cum-berland; Treas., Lottie Mackie, Baltimore; Chap., Mary E. Frey, Baltimore.

President Will was presented with an elegant gilt-and-onyx clock by the Department officers, Mary Bostwick Shellman, of Westminster, making the presentation address; and President-elect Cadden was the recipient of a laurel wreath from Cus-ter Corps, 2. A delegation of 16 ladies were present from Potomae Corps, of Washington, D. C.: also Ellen Tolman, of Needham Corps, Lawrence, Mass. The visitors were cordially received, and, with the newly-elected President, were handsomely enter-tained at the residence of Mrs. Orr in the evening by Custer Corps, of Baltimore.-M. B. S.

NATIONAL RELIEF CORPS HOME. Past National President Annie Wittenmyer has been on a visit to the National Relief Corps Home, Madison, O. She reports the health of the inmates now quite good, all slowly gaining strength and cheerfulness after their long siege with the grip. The employes have also recovered and are at their several posts of duty, and the extra force of help is no longer needed.
Pluma L. Cowles, Secretary of the Board of Directors, who has been very ill with the grip, is now convalescent and able to be about the house, but is still weak.

Home, has fully recovered her health, and has taken hold of the work with a vigorous hand. Every foot of land owned by the W.R.C. will be utilized. Cows, swine and chickens are planned for, and everything will be used up on the place, with a view to bringing up returns on capital and reducing expenses.

missed from his presence, and His Excellency withdrew and was driven back to the Government NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT CONVENTION. DEAR TRIBUNE: The Nebraska Convention, held Feb. 19 and 20 at Columbus, was largely attended and enthusiastic; Department President Amanda satisfactory. Officers chosen and installed as follows: Pres., Amanda B. Tisdell; S. V.-P., Miss Ashbrook, Geneva; J. V.-P., Clara J. McCoy, Columbus; Sec., Sarah M. Spaids, Grand Island; Treas., Gertrude Horr Connell, Grand Island; Chap., Mrs. Richardson, Gering. Council of Administration, Mesdames Merrill, St. Paul; Smith, Tecumsch; Boldshaw, Lincoln; Whitmarsh, Omaha; Powell, Beatrice. The following resolution was unanimously

dopted, and a copy ordered sent to the head of each Department of the Government at Washing-Resolved. That the Woman's Relief Corps workers at our annual Department Convention, here assembled at Colorado, Neb., do request and urge he Chiefs of Departments to give the wives and daughters of Union soldiers and sailors the preference in the appointments, where all are equally

CORPS BADGES.

Gen. Butterfield Explains How He Came to Invent Gen. Daniel Butterfield, who is the acknowledged originator of corps badges, gives the following interesting account of how they came

"The idea and design of marking the troops, mbulances, artillery, guns, caissons, baggagewagons, etc., with a distinctive mark to show their corps and division, and also a headquarters flag to show from a distance the location and whereabouts of corps, division, and brigade headquarters, occurred to me early in the war, and I urged it upon Gen. McClellan and discussed the subject with others. Gen. McClellan did not adopt it. Gen. Kearny put a red patch on his division (his troops only). When I was called to Headquarters of the Army of the Potomac as its Chief-of-Staff I determined to put my plan and idea into effect at once, and Gen.

Hooker, then commanding, approved it. "The army consisted of the First, Second, Third, Fifth, Sixth, Eleventh, and Twelfth Corps. The selection of a design for the First Corps was simply the first thing thought of. A disk had no particular reason or cause. A traveling expenses of these officers are defrayed by patch or lozenge was reserved for the Third Corps, as Kearny's Division was of that corps, so that the mark he had put on his men need not be changed, and that incident fixed the color of the mark for the First Division red, the white for the Second, and blue for the Third. following naturally as National colors.

" For the Second Corps the trefoil was chosen as a sort of shamrock, there being many troops of Irish origin or descent in that corps, and I wished the marks to become popular with the commands.

"In the Fifth Corps, in my old brigade, was my old regiment, the 12th N. Y., which I had commanded as a militia regiment before the war. I had decorated many of its officers and men with bronze and gold Maltese crosses for efficient and thorough discharge of duty prior to this, so I reserved the Maltese cross for them

for that reason. "The badges or marks of the other corps named herein were chosen by me for no reason other than to have some pleasing form or shape, easily and quickly distinguished from the others, and capable of aiding in the 'esprit as follows: President, Mary G. Deane, Pair River;
S. V.-P., Emily L. Clark, Northampton; J. V.-P.,
Clare H. Burleigh, Athol; Sec., Mary E. Eliott,
Clare H. Burleigh, Athol; S Sarah E. Walkiey, Westfield; Ins., Helen E. Brig- simply abominable, desertions occurring by Railroad accommodations have been secured for thousands, and money and clothing being sent for the purpose, which we seized and held at Headquarters, delaying the money and keeping back the civilians' clothing to prevent its use for desertion.

"Through these measures, with others, the

morale of the army and its tone was restored and improved to a very high standard-higher, I think, than it ever had been before or after. "With corps marks or badges, other than those I have here referred to, I had no part in designation, except in the Fourteenth Corps (Gen. George H. Thomas). The General and myself had served as brigade commanders in Patterson's column in '61, and were personally well acquainted. When we took the Eleventh and Twefth Corps from the Army of the Potomac to reinforce the Army of the Cumberland, (after Chickamagua,) Gen. Thomas first saw and liked the idea of our corps marks and badges. He directed Gen. Whipple, his Adjutant-General, to prepare one for the Fourteenth. Gen. Whipple had many designs of a geometrical form, but Gen. Thomas did not seem to like them, and told him to send for me and consult me. I saw his forms, and told him that had I commanded the Fourteenth Corps, which 'stood as firm as an oak' at Chickamauga, as it was then spoken of, I would give them the acorn for a badge in honor of their bravery. Gen. Thomas said: Houghton Corps, 161. Mishawaka, is a new Corps, but full of life. They work shoulder to shoulder with a will, which is certain evidence of went in the corps. That is what we will do; let it be the acorn.' With this exception, beyond the corps I have mentioned I had nothing to do with the design.

A Bundle of Wires.

Nervous people are often likened to a bundle of wires, so sensitive are they to the least outside vibration. The brain and stomach are connected with a great sympathetic chord or nerve, and trouble in the stomach is reflected by the organs of thought. Invigoration is the proper means of They have been giving entertainments to procure funds to purchase an organ. At the first, a Masquerade Social, they netted \$51.45; the next, a Bonnet Social, replenished their funds to the other ailments. VETERANS.

News from the Various Divisions.

Elections of Officers, etc. CALIFORNIA.

Lieut, Cushing Camp, 46, was mustered at Berk-ley recently with 15 charter members, and these officers: Com., B. P. Bull; S. V. C., J. W. Cooley; J. V. C., F. F. Conner. Adjutant's report for quarter ending Dec. 31, 1891. shows: Number in good standing, 19 Camps, 422 members; gained by organization and muster-in-8 members; transfer, 1 member; reinstatement, 3 Camps, 79 members; total, 22 Camps, 510 members. Lost, by death, 2 members; honorable discharge, 1 member; suspension, 7 Camps, 135 members; dropped, 4 members; total loss, 7 Camps, 142 members. Remaining in good standing, 15 Camps,

368 members. It has been reported to the Division Commander that a person giving the name of Wm. Selfridge, and who was at one time in the employ of the Old Fidelity Insurance Co., of San Francisco, is traveling through Oregon and Washington and representing himself as a member of J. F. Miller Camp. 3. of San Francisco. He is an impostor, as the rolls of the Division contain no such name. The brothers at Fresno have put themselves to much trouble and expense in preparing to entertain the members of the next Encampment. They desire to know as nearly as possible how many of the Sons will attend. Every First Sergeant should report to Capt. D. E. Noble, at Fresno, stating as nearly as possible how many will attend from his

CONNECTICUT. The following officers have been appointed on the staff of the Division Colonel: Surg., James B. Bowen, Putnam; Chap., E. E. Latham, Mystic; Ass't Surg., Frank H. Hoddinott, Danbury; Adj't, Embert M. Wheeler, Lock Box 1295, Norwich: Q. M., G. E. Zimmerman, Lock Box 1295, Norwich; Inspector, Geo. E. Coman, Danielsonville: Mustering Officer, A. E. Lincoln, New Haven: Judge-Advocate, G. B. Fowler, Thompsonville-all with

rank of First Lieutenant. The following non-commissioned staff are also appointed: Com.-Serg't, A. L. Southmayd, Middle-town; Serg't-Maj., F. G. Sanford, Stafford Springs; Q. M.-S., Chas. E. Tryon, E. Hartford: Hospital Steward, W. D. Cook, Windsor Locks; Color Serg't, C. S. Symonds, Unionville-all with rank of First

Sergeant. By vote of the eighth annual Encampment of this Division the per capita tax for the ensuing year will be 60 cents for each member in good tanding, payable quarterly, on the first day of April, July, October, and January. IOWA.

Gen. W. T. Sherman Camp, 213. Shelby—Com., Edgar N. Keeney; S.V. C., W. F. Keeney; J.V. C., A. B. Morris; First Serg't, Roy Linn; Q. M.-S., James Linn; S. of G., Frank Allen; C. S., Henry Bishop; Principal Musician, H. H. Brown; C. of G., John Ickes; P. G., Lyell Hadley; Council, C. E. Buckley, Frank Allen, C. A. Watson. The Camp has in contemplation an entertainment to raise noney to purchase a flag.

KANSAS. At the recent Division Encampment held at Athison, the reports of the officers showed the Division in a fine condition. The Adjutant's report was as follows: Number in good standing at last report 153 Camps, 3,707 members; gained by mustern first quarter 18 Camps, 603 members; second quarter 7 Camps, 305 members; third quarter 10 Camps, 475 members; fourth quarter 7 Camps, 128 members. Total number of Camps 195, members 5,218. Gained by transfer first quarter 16 members; second quarter 7 members; third quarter Il members. Gained by reinstatement, first quarter 8 Camps, 152 members; second quarter 8 Camps, 110 members; third quarter 40 Camps, 788 members. Aggregate, 231 Camps, 6,212 members. Losses by death, first quarter 3 members; second quarter I member; third quarter I member. Honorable discharge, first quarter 17 members; second quarter 4 members; third quarter 8 members; ag-grate, 29 members. Transfers, first quarter 58 members; second quarter 90 members; third quarter 28 members; aggregate, 176 members. Suspension, first quarter 20 Camps, 617 members; second quarter 50 Camps, 1,174 members; third quarter 5 Camps, 368 members. Ag-gregate, 75 Camps; 2,159 members. Dropped, first quarter 3 members; second quarter 2 members; third quarter 17 members. Aggregate, 22 members. Honorably discharged, first quarter, 2 members; second quarter, 1 member. Aggregate, members. Total losses, 76 Camps, 2,445 members. Number in good standing at date, 175 Camps, 3,764 members. The officers elected were: Com., F. A. Agnew, Newton; S. V. C., —— Henning, Salina; V. C., Harry Huffman, Council, E. B. White, Independence; W. J. Mendenhall, Great Bend; F. B. Hays. Delegate-at-Large, T. J. Ritner, Atchison; Delegates, S. J. Crumbine, Dodge City; F. Feder, Ellinwood; Grant Harrington, Hiawatha; A. B. Callahan, Topeka, Col. Agnew announced the appointment of his staff as fol-lows: Inspector, P. F. Ackerman, Atchison; Mus-tering Officer, C. McCarthy, Mankato; Judge-Advocate, S. C. Brown, Chanute; Chap., Howard Hannah, Wilson; Adj't, W. E. Morris, Newton; Q. M., Ed. F. Wafer, Newton; Serg't-Maj., F.

MAINE. The Adjutant's report for the quarter ending Dec. 31 shows: Number in good standing last report, 36 Camps, 1,122 members. Gain: By organization and muster, four Camps, 120 members; transfer, three members; reinstatement, five Camps, 137 members; total, 45 Camps, 1,382 members. Loss by death, two members; honorable discharge, one member; suspension, two Camps, 91 members; transfer, two members; dishonorable discharge, one member; total loss, two Camps, 97 members. Number in good standing, 43 Camps, 1,285 mem-

The Quartermaster's report shows \$219.37 to the eredit of the Division; \$671.05 to the credit of the Camps. has the following: The preliminary inspection has been a success. Many Camps show a decided improvement over last year's record, and it is believed that the regular inspection in April will bring forth still greater results. Particular attention should be given to supplying the officers with rank-straps. Shoulder-straps are no longer regulation, hence officers who persist in wearing them will lose points on inspection. The contest for the Libby sword will be decided by the returns received for the quarter just closing. Let every Camp report promptly, so that everyone may be put on record in this contest. The regular inspection of the Camps will take place in April, and will be conducted by the Inspector and one assistant. The the Division, but Camps are required to furnish entertainment while the officers are with them. Details will be given in future orders. Camp officers who have failed to receive their commissions are informed that the delay is due to the failure of the Installing Officer to forward his report. As soon as these delinquent reports are received the commissions and the current password and coun-

tersign will be furnished to each Camp. MASSACHUSETTS. Col. Fletcher Webster Camp, 47, Canton, accompanied Senior Vice Division Commander Walter H. Delano, of Sharon, to Foxboro the other evenng, and assisted that brother in giving I. H. Bonney Camp, 58, of that town, aboom. The meeting was heartily enjoyed by all present, and resulted in much good to the local Camp. John A. Andrew Camp, 13, Stoughton, is briskly engaged in drilling for the annual inspection, which occurs next month. The members purpose to

eclipse all previous efforts in this direction. At the last regular meeting of the Camp it was voted to Takes hold in this order: purchase new uniforms and side-arms.

The 10th annual Encampment of Massachusetts
Division will be held at Milford, Mass., June 2 and 3.

Col. Fletcher Webster Camp, 47, Canton, is seriously considering the production of another war drama some time during the latter part of April, drama some time during the latter part of April, drama some time during the latter part of April, drama some time during the Camp fund. Revere Post, 94, and Col. Fletcher Webster Camp, 47, Outside Skin, of Canton, to attend the National Encampment in

September. Lieut. Wm. Palmer Camp, 4, Randolph, is still "on the earth," and hustling for first place in the Order. The officers of the Camp have taken an obligation not to absent themselves from a Camp meeting during their term of office, unless sickness or some unforeseen circumstance necessitate it. Commander Walter H. Lyons is giving the Camp an efficient and lively administration. MINNESOTA.

In his recent Order Division Commander Shefre says: This Division is to be congratulated on the friendly feeling toward it by the G.A.R. At the last State Encampment, held in Minneapolis Feb. 17-19, in his annual report Past Department Commander C. D. Parker spoke as follows: "Regarding the condition of the Sons of Veterans, there is room for a good deal of improvement, and urged the delegates that when they went back to their homes they make a great effort along this line. There are now in Minnesota 61 Camps, with a total of 1,6.4 members. This was a fair increase over the preceding year's figures, but it was far from a satis-factory condition of affairs. With 18,000 old sol-diers in the State, of whom about 10,000 were on the rolls of the G.A.R., the membership of the Sons of Veterans should be 16,000 instead of 1,600. Lack of interest on the part of the fathers was the cause of this, he thought. There were towns all over the State where there were no Camps at all few workers to begin at once. THE CHANCE which ought to support strong ones. I believe OF A LIFE-TIME IS NOW OPEN; IMmost emphatically in the present and prospective PROVE IT AND FILL YOUR PURSE. usefulness of this organization, and do not hesitate to urge the representatives of every Post here assembled whose Post is not already aliled to a Camp to go home and see that one is organized immediately. Facts are stubborn things, and try as we ately. Facts are stubborn things, and try as we may to convince ourselves and others that we are not growing old, the halting step and the gray heads are constant reminders of the fact that we President Loretta I. Gorsuch installed the officers; and custom arose with me and was followed by are no longer the boys of '61. With these reminders constantly before us the question as to who will carry forward the work of our cherished organization when the last old comrade shall have passed on naturally presents itself. But one answer preour boys. Then let us assist and encourage them in their grand work in every way possible, and may God bless the boys of '91 in the work of the years that lie before them, even as He blessed the boys of '61. So say we all." As Commander of Minneault that lie before them, even as He blessed the boys of '61. So say we all." As Commander of Minnesota Division I thank the members of the G.A.R. for their kind words, and feel sure that we will see good results.

The Adjutant's report for the quarter ended Dec.

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report, 48 Camps, 1,297 members; gained by organization and muster in, 6 Camps, 180 members; transfer, 5 members; reinstatement, 7 Camps, 12 nembers; aggregate, 61 Camps, 1,608 members. Lost by death, 3 members; honorable discharge, 9 members; transfer, 8 members; suspension, 6 Camps, 205 members; total loss, 6 Camps, 225 members. Number remaining in good standing, 55 Camps, 1.383 members.
The Quartermaster's report shows a balance of \$168.37 to the credit of the Division; \$505.44 to the

credit of the Camp. NEW YORK. Koltes Camp, 171, New York, presented Koltes Post, 32, with a handsome frame containing the photograph of every member of the Camp, the ther evening. The presentation speech was made by Commander Louis Bohl, and was received on behalf of the Post by Commander Lemsey in & neat speech. A Campfire followed, and pipes, to-bacco, hardlack, beans, cheese and beer were in-dulged in, and speeches, songs, etc., were rendered by Bohl, Gerlach, Junginger. Wetz and Hensman, of the Camp, and Kayser, Lemsey, Ries, Kraus and Thum, of the Post. Everyone enjoyed himself in

true German style. Commander Joseph G. Kunze, of Steinweby Camp, 133, has resigned. It has been accepted by the Department Commander. The Commander goes to Chicago to reside.

PENNSYLVANIA. There are now about 20 Camps of the Order in Philadelphia. One of the most popular is Camp 2, which meets at northeast corner Ninth and Spring Garden streets, the Commander of which is Capt. J. B. Selfredge, and it has a membership of about 75. This Camp celebrated the anniversary of Washington's birthday, and had an entertainment of unusual excellence, consisting of singing and reading patriotic selections, Col. J. Bartlett Mearns presided, and visitors were present from Camps 11. 400 and 228. The principal speaker of the evening was Comrade William Simmons, Past Commander of Naval Post, 400. Altogether a most enjoyable time was spent.

Orders, No. 2, issued at Burlington, by H. S. Forter, Division Commander, contain the following

While every precaution should be taken to keep nworthy beware of trying to be too select in our member ship. "All male descendants, not less than I years of age, of deceased or honorably-discharges soldiers, sailors or marines, who served in the Union army or navy during the civil war of 1861-65," are not only eligible to membership, but have a right to it, provided they are of good moral character, have never been convicted of any infamous borne arms against the Government of the United States. Let us not forget, brothers, that charity is one of the foundation stones of our Order, and that our fathers, shoulder to shoulder, endured the same privations, shared the same dangers, alept on the same blankets and "drank from the same canteen." Then, be they rich or poor, educated or ignorant, of native or foreign extraction, white or colored, let us have them in our Order, where they have a right to be and where they ought to be, and give them a royal welcome. Not too many ques-tions were asked in the dark days of 1861-'65, when a man presented himself for enlistment to fight for the Union, and let us not ask too many now when their descendants knock at our doors for ad-

The Camp showing the largest increase in membership during each quarter will hereafter receive honorable mention in Orders. The work which lay out for you, brothers, is as follows: First, attend every meeting of your Camp, at any cost and any sacrifice, unless prevented by sickness; pay your dues promptly, and loyally support your offi-cers; second, bring new members into your Camp; third, organize new Camps; fourth, secure the organization of a Ladies' Aid Society, unless you H. Potter, McPherson; Surg., D. H. Phinney, Wyhave one already; fifth, organize companies of the Sons of Veterans Guards, I await results anxiously, but confidently.

There are several important strategic points in the Division still unoccupied which should be seized and fortified with the least practicable delay. Among these are West Burke, Bradford Stowe, Wilmington, Wells River, Swanton, Island Pond, Castleton, Franklin, Bakersfleid, Putney, and others. The garrisons at Hardwick, Newport, Newport Center, Woodstock, Warren, Waitsfield. Worcester, Rochester, East Wallingford, Ripton, and Weston, which long since surrendered to the enemy, should be replaced by new and fresh troops. All members of the Division, especially Camp offcers, are urged to interest themselves in the work of organizing new Camps, and reviving those that are dead, and due credit will be given in Orders to successful work in that line. The members of the Grand Army are our most efficient helpers in this direction, and efforts should be made to interest them in the work, by appointment of committees

from Posts or otherwise. The Division Commander is proud to be able to announce that he was not obliged to suspend single Camp for failure to render reports and pay dues for the quarter ending Dec. 31, and that three Camps, previously suspended, were reinstated-Capt. L. E. Sherman Camp. 40, Montgomery Center, Commander F. W. Bundy; Col. E. Henry Powell Camp. 68, Richford, Commander W. E. Cooley. and Col. A. Preston Camp, 80, Danville, Commander

The Adjutant's report for the quarter ending Dec. 31 shows: Number in good standing at dat of last report, 46 Camps, 1,427 members; gained by organization and muster in, two Camps, 82 members; transfer, eight members; reinstatement, three Camps, 98 members; error in report of June 80. 1891, two Camps; aggregate, 53 Camps, 1,615 members. Lost by death, three members; honorable discharge, 10 members; transfer, 14 members; suspension, 92 members; total loss, 119 members Number remaining in good standing, 53 Camps,

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